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Dear Sir:

This is an amendment and response to the Office Action mailed on November 4, 2004, and to a telephone interview between Examiner Eloshway and the undersigned on January 7, 2005. Amendments to the specification begin on page 2, amendments to the claims begin on page 3, and remarks begin on page 5.